RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE AGENDA RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: OCTOBER 13, 2003

- CALL TO ORDER
- ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW

MINUTES:

PRESENT: COUNCILMAN WEEKLY and COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF

Also Present: DEPUTY CITY MANAGER STEVE HOUCHENS, CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY VAL STEED, CHIEF DEPUTY CITY CLERK BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, and DEPUTY CITY CLERK GABRIELA S. PORTILLO-BRENNER

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE – meeting noticed and posted at the following locations:
Court Clerk's Bulletin Board, City Hall
City Hall Plaza, Posting Board
Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North
Senior Citizens Center, 450 E. Bonanza Road
Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Pkwy
(4:02)



AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE

RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: OCTOBER 13, 2003				
DEPARTMENT: FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES				
DIREC	TOR: MARK R. VINCENT	CONSENT X DISCUSSION		
<u>SUBJE</u>	ECT:			
NEW B	ILL:			
Bill No.	. 2003-81 – Ordinance authorizing	the issuance of City of Las Vegas General Obligation		
(Limited	Tax) Medium-Term Recreation B	onds, Series 2003, not to exceed \$20,000,000 - Ward 4		
(Brown))			
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Fiscal Impact				
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PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to NRS 268.672 through 268.740, and NRS 350.087 through 350.095, the City is authorized to issue medium-term obligations to finance recreational projects as defined in NRS 268.710. The City intends to use the proceeds of this bond issue to finance a soccer complex.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

- 1. Bill No. 2003-81
- 2. Letter from the State of Nevada Department of Taxation

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-81 be forwarded to the Full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY STEED indicated that the bill is in order.

MARK VINCENT, Director, Finance and Business Services, indicated that the ordinance involves the final resolution of the City issuing recreation bonds to specifically fund part of the construction of the



soccer complex at Washington Avenue. The bonds will be paid back from room tax credits reimbursed from the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority.

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RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 2003 Finance and Business Services Item 1 – Bill No. 2003-81

MINUTES – Continued:

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed. (4:02-4:03)



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DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY				
DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JER	BIC CONSENT X DISCUSSION			
SUBJECT:				
NEW BILL:				
Bill No. 2003-82 – Establishes a traffic sig	gnal impact fee program for the City pursuant to State law.			
Proposed by: Richard D. Goecke, Directo	or of Public Works			
Fiscal Impact				
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Budget Funds Available	Dept./Division:			
Augmentation Required	Funding Source:			
PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:				
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This bill will establish a traffic signal impact fee program as authorized by State law. Under the program, new development will contribute moneys to help fund the installation of traffic signals. The contribution in each case will be in accordance with a fee schedule to be adopted by the City Council. Fee amounts will correspond to the land use assumptions and capital improvements plan that have been adopted by the Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2003-82

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-82 be forwarded to the Full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY STEED stated this bill involves another step the City has been taking recently as part of the land-use assumptions adopted in order to impose impact fees. A capital improvement plan was adopted as well. This ordinance establishes the mechanism by which traffic signal impact fees will be calculated and imposed on new development, which will be put into effect by



Council resolution. The resolution will follow adoption of this ordinance by the Council. He recommended approval.

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MINUTES – Continued:

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed. (4:03 – 4:04)



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DEPA	RTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY			
DIREC	TOR: BRADFORD R. JEF	RBIC	CONSENT	X DISCUSSION
SUBJI	ECT:			
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	Budget Funds Available	Dept./Div	ision:	
	Augmentation Required	Funding	Source:	
PURP	OSE/BACKGROUND:			
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RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2003-75

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-75 be TABLED. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

MARK VINCENT, Director, Finance and Business Services, deferred this matter to DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY LARRY BETTIS, who indicated that this bill primarily defines transient lodging, which is required by state statute. The City currently does not have a definition. This bill incorporates that definition for both the room tax and the licensing tax provisions of the City Code.

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MINUTES – Continued:

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY BETTIS then stated that meetings have been held with the industry, and then began to discuss some of the proposed changes to the definition. However, because there was some confusion regarding those changes, COUNCILMAN WEEKLY suggested this matter be held until staff has met with the industry to clarify the changes, because he perceived that there were still a lot of inquiries. DEPUTY CITY MANAGER HOUCHENS suggested tabling this matter until staff is ready to bring the amended version back for consideration. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY reiterated that further discussion is necessary between the industry, City Attorney staff, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER HOUCHENS, and MR. VINCENT and his staff.

TOM SKANCKE, The Skancke Company, interjected that it would be a good idea to schedule a workshop. Other matters have been handled in this manner and have worked out very well.

TODD FARLOW, 240 N. 19th Street, opined that what is lacking is a clear explanation of why these changes are necessary. One of the main causes for this is that transients create more crime and demand on the police service. The \$1 million budget increase agreement with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department has to be made up in this budget. The true reason behind this change should be made public.

VON HENNER, President and CEO of Nevada Hotel and Lodging Association and Commissioner of Tourism of Nevada, said that he was made aware of this bill that day. He is truly concerned because he represents over 100 hotels and casinos. In looking at the structure of room tax, it is a far-reaching decision that transcends the changes being proposed. He requested to be included in the meetings.

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed.

(4:05-4:20)



DEPAR	RTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY	
DIRECT	OR: BRADFORD R. JERE	BIC CONSENT X DISCUSSION
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provision		- Amends childcare facility and personnel licensing f the City Child Care Licensing Board. Proposed by: Mark Services
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X	No Impact	Amount:
	Budget Funds Available	Dept./Division:
	Augmentation Required	Funding Source:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

This bill provides that the Child Care Licensing Board (Board) shall have the same number of members as the City Council, with each member of the City Council to appoint one member to the Board subject to Council approval. Final approval authority of child care facility licensees and directors will vest with the Board, with the right of appeal to the City Council being granted to current and prospective licensees. Emergency authority to suspend the licenses of child care facility licensees and approvals of directors will be vested with the Department of Finance and Business Services. Increases in the licensing fees for child care facilities are also being proposed.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2003-77

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-77 be held in ABEYANCE to the 11/3/2003 Recommending Committee meeting. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

JIM DiFIORE, Manager, Business Services, reported that after the last Recommending Committee meeting he held a meeting regarding some of the concerns raised by CLAY STRINGHAM, Director of Development, Challenger School, and also met with MR. STRINGHAM twice. Some of the issues

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have been resolved, but there are two major issues remaining, about which he would like to contact the State Board of Child Care to obtain an answer. He requested this matter be held until the November 3, 2003, Recommending Committee

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MINUTES – Continued:

meeting. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY appreciated MR. DiFIORE'S due diligence on this matter and working with those individuals from the childcare industry that have concerns. MR. STRINGHAM said that MR. DiFIORE and his staff have been very helpful and accommodating.

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed.

(4:20-4:22)



RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF COTOBER 13, 2003				
DEPARTMENT: CITY AT	TORNEY			
DIRECTOR: BRADFO	RD R. JERBIC	CONSENT	X DISCUSSION	
SUBJECT:				
NEW BILL:				
Bill No. 2003-78 – Establishes	s locational restrictions	for the uses "auto pawn,	" "auto title loan," and	
"specified financial institution."	Proposed by: Robert	S. Genzer, Director of P.	lanning and Development	
Fiscal Impact				
X No Impact	Amoun	t:		
Budget Funds Av	ailable Dept./D	ivision:		
Augmentation Re	quired Fundin	g Source:		
PURPOSE/BACKGROUN	ID:			

This bill is intended to establish locational restrictions for the uses "auto pawn," "auto title loan," and "specified financial institution." Such uses will have to be at least one thousand feet from any other such use and at least two hundred feet from residential properties.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2003-78

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-78 be TABLED. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

ROBERT GENZER, Director, Planning and Development, advised that recently the Council passed the first iteration of a bill to regulate these types of uses. One aspect that was removed from that bill is any form of distance separation. Since that time Planning has received a number of applications for these types of uses, where the issue has been the distance separation from similar uses of the same type. Essentially, this is the second attempt at drafting an ordinance dealing with that particular issue.

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MINUTES – Continued:

As proposed, these uses shall not be located closer than 200 feet from any parcel zoned for a residential use, nor can they be located within 1,000 feet of each other. These distances could be waived at the discretion of the City Council through the Special Use Permit process.

Moreover, as written, this bill is very similar to the ordinance the Council adopted on how to measure distance separation. It makes provision for parcels within a commercial subdivision that are fully self-contained where the use is on a pad site that has its own access and meets all the parking requirements for that particular use. In that case the distance separation measurement would be taken from the boundary line of that particular parcel, as opposed to the boundary line of the commercial subdivision. The distances being proposed are the same as those currently in place in Clark County. Staff recommends approval.

ATTORNEY PAUL LARSEN, Lionel, Sawyer, and Collins, pointed out that this bill does not include a waiver provision. MR. GENZER replied that Tile 19 allows for waivers, unless marked with an asterisk, which are not included in this bill in terms of distance separation. ATTORNEY LARSEN questioned the standards. MR. GENZER indicated that there are no standards. It is purely at the Council's discretion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY indicated that his concerns apply to those companies in this type of industry that are not scrupulous. There are some companies that are very reputable and provide professional services for those that need them. But there are some individuals, especially in Wards 1, 3, and 5, who do not care about the aesthetics of their buildings and take advantage of the people that are barely making ends meet. It is unfortunate that this issue has not been resolved yet. Perhaps there is a happy medium that can be reached to protect these wards. Everybody has the right to a piece of the American pie, but there has to be some regard for those individuals that use these services and the surrounding neighborhoods. He is not against these types of businesses; he just wants decent businesses for the constituents he represents.

ATTORNEY LARSEN appreciated COUNCILMAN WEEKLY'S concerns. He indicated a willingness to work with the Council on an alternate ordinance that would require some sort of capital investment, in terms of mandating specific size and parking requirements, that would lead to the types of desired businesses, as opposed to fly-by-night operators that come in and set up shop. This proposed ordinance protects those people that are already in business, with the exception of obtaining a waiver of the distance requirements for an additional similar business. He requested this bill be tabled to allow the industry to meet.

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MINUTES – Continued:

MIKE McNIGHT, Rapid Cash, concurred that a compromise is necessary, because there are some companies that give the reputable ones a bad name. He is willing to work with staff. ERIC GOODMAN agreed with tabling this matter.

JAY BROWN, representing JIM MARCHESI of Check City, who was also present, said that one of the concerns is that enacting this ordinance would reinforce those businesses that cause concern. If the reputable businesses are allowed to compete, the undesirable operations are going to go out of business.

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF persisted that this industry has to be controlled. She has so many constituents complaining constantly about the tawdry-looking facilities that are ruining Ward 1, especially the gorgeous Spanish Oaks area. She would greatly appreciate an ordinance to address this problem.

MR. MARCHESI presented pictures, which were not submitted for the record, depicting the type of businesses he operates. This ordinance would preclude him from building a store that would make the City proud. He noted that the people that seek his services are not of low-income. Their average income is about \$45,000 a year and all have a bank account. The free market will take care of pushing out the non-reputable companies.

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF questioned how the rates are established. MR. MARCHESI answered that the state controls the loan amount and the length. The market drives the rates.

NANCY STEWART requested to meet further in order to come up with some standards.

TODD FARLOW, 240 N. 19th Street, commented that he wants to get rid of the predators and retain the reputable businesses.

AL GALLEGO, citizen of Las Vegas, requested a moratorium be placed on this industry until the final ordinance is adopted. In some neighborhoods these types of businesses are right next door to each other. He does not like the thought of people living paycheck to paycheck and getting deeper into debt.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY interjected that COUNCILMAN McDONALD tried very hard to address this issue, but he could not find a middle ground. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY urged MR. GENZER and his staff to work with the industry and assist in finding a happy medium. MR. GENZER indicated that there is some urgency in resolving this matter because applications are continually being



submitted. He will get together with MR. LARSEN and hopefully they can come back in 30 days with a solution.

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MINUTES – Continued:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF asked if the County passed a similar ordinance. MARGO WHEELER, Deputy Director, Planning and Development, indicated that the distance requirement in this ordinance is the same as in the current County ordinance. MR. MARCHESI pointed out that in implementation the City and County ordinances differ. The County's is door-to-door, while the City's is property line to property line, which makes a big difference.

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed.

(4:22-4:40)



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PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

This bill will establish zoning requirements for facilities that provide testing, treatment, or counseling for drug or alcohol abuse or for sex offenses, and will update zoning provisions regarding similar and related uses. The bill is intended to more precisely define these types of uses so that they can be properly located.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2003-79

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-79 be forwarded to the Full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation as a First Amendment. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

ROBERT GENZER, Director, Planning and Development, deferred to MARGO WHEELER, Deputy Director, Planning and Development, who indicated that the proposed ordinance includes the addition and deletion of some definitions, specifically special care facility and withdrawal management facility, in the Municipal Code. The core of this text amendment is to include language to differentiate between private counseling and court-ordered treatment facilities.

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MINUTES – Continued:

The new definitions are for facilities that provide testing, treatment, or counseling for drug or alcohol abuse and for sex-offender counseling facilities. These two facilities are proposed to be defined separately, as having court-ordered clients. The new definitions of psychology practice and office medical are proposed to handle the instances where counseling is sought voluntarily. Consideration has been given to the state licensing codes and definitions so that they correspond.

MR. GENZER added that the charts in Sections 2 and 3 indicate an "S" in the C-1 category. The wording "C-1" needs to be added in the write up of both of those sections.

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed.

(4:40-4:42)



DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNE DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JI					
SUBJECT: NEW BILL:					
Bill No. 2003-80 – Updates enforcement measures and remedies regarding abandoned and inoperable vehicles that are left on private property under certain circumstances. Proposed by: Sharon Segerblom, Director of Neighborhood Services					
Fiscal Impact					
X No Impact	Amount:				
Budget Funds Available	Dept./Division:				
Augmentation Required	Funding Source:				

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

This bill will update enforcement measures and remedies regarding abandoned and inoperable vehicles that are left on private property under certain circumstances. The bill will allow Neighborhood Services to achieve the removal of these vehicles when they are left for extended periods of time within a multifamily residential parking lot and in a location that is visible from public property.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing, and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2003-80

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCILWOMAN MONCRIEF recommended Bill 2003-80 be forwarded to the Full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY concurred.

MINUTES:

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing open.

DAVE SEMENZA, Manager, Neighborhood Response, advised that this bill adds language to the nuisance section of Title 9, making abandoned vehicles visible from the public right-of-way on multifamily dwellings a public nuisance. It also allows Code Enforcement Officers, under Title 11, to give a 30-day warning, with another 72-hour notice to be given before having a vehicle towed, if the vehicle remains after 30 days. Abandoned vehicles are an ongoing problem in the City, and staff is just looking at ways to strengthen current ordinances to give staff the ability to remove such nuisances.

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MINUTES – Continued:

TODD FARLOW, 240 N. 19th Street, and AL GALLEGO, citizen of Las Vegas, expressed their full support of this bill.

No one appeared in opposition and there was no further discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY declared the Public Hearing closed.

(4:42-4:44)

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OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, EACH SUBJECT MATTER WILL BE LIMITED TO TEN (10)
MINUTES.
MINUTES:
None
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THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:44 P.M.

October 20, 2003

Respectfully submitted:_		
_	CARRIELAS PORTILLO BRENNER	DEDITY CITY CLERK